

IN THE  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): John P. Franz et al.

Confirmation No.: 9858

Application No.: 10/698,605

Examiner: Edwards, Anthony

Filing Date: 10/31/04

Group Art Unit: 2835

Title: LOCKING MECHANISM FOR REMOVABLE COMPONENTS

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
(X) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee  
(X) Other: Postcards (2 Sheets) (fee \$ )

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	25	MINUS	25	= 0	X \$50	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	4	= 1	X \$200	\$ 200
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$360	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$120.00	2ND MONTH \$450.00	3RD MONTH \$1020.00	4TH MONTH \$1590.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 200

Charge \$ 200 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

John P. Franz et al.

By

Manish Vyas

Attorney/Agent for Applicant(s)  
Reg. No. 54,516

Date: 07/07/05

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Manish Vyas

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 7, 2005**

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on April 7, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.

**The Listing of the Claims** begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**Authorization To Debit Deposit Account**

By the present Response, Applicants have increased the net number of independent claims by one, while leaving the total number of claims unchanged. Accordingly, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the requisite \$200.00 fee for this additional claim to Deposit Account No. 08-2025; Order No. 200308604-1/FLE/SWA/VYA. No other fees are believed due at this time. However, if additional fees are deemed necessary to advance prosecution of the present

application, at this or any other time, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge such requisite fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2025; Order No. 200308604-1/FLE/SWA/VYA.